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In re Application of :

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Application No. 10/086,017 : DECISION ON PETITION Filed: February 28, 2002 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3)

Attorney Docket No. 1814

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR : PROVIDING DIAL-UP DATA SESSIONS : WITH DISTRIBUTED SERVICE :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), filed June 12, 2006, to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for the benefit of priority to the priorfiled nonprovisional application set forth in the Application Data Sheet (ADS), filed concurrently with the present petition.

The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

The petition is accompanied by an application data sheet (ADS) which includes a reference to the prior-filed application. The reference to the prior-filed nonprovisional application was included in the ADS which was received on filing, although it incorrectly set forth that the present application is a continuation of the prior-filed application, instead of a continuation-in-part. Nevertheless, the reference was included in the ADS which was filed with the application.

As such, no petition will be required to accept a late claim for priority. The priority data will be corrected so as to reflect the correct continuity information, as contained in the ADS as submitted June 2, 2003.

Application No. 10/086,017 Decision on Petition

The petition fee will be refunded to Petitioner's Deposit Account, as authorized in the petition.

A corrected Filing Receipt, which includes the priority claim to the prior-filed nonprovisional application, accompanies this decision on petition.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 2616 for consideration by the Examiner of applicant's entitlement to claim benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to the prior-filed application.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Senior Attorney Paul Shanoski at (571) 272-3225. All other inquiries concerning either the examination procedures or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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ATTACHMENT: Corrected Filing Receipt



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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a CIP of 09/893,137 06/27/2001 PAT 7,106,706

Foreign Applications

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The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is US10/086,017

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Non-Publication Request: Yes

Early Publication Request: No

Title

Method and system for providing dial-up data sessions with distributed service

Preliminary Class

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